GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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INDIAN NUCLEAR PROJECTS UNDER IAEA SAFEGUARDS
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the Indian N-projects under IAEA safeguards;

(b) whether the US Government has offered civilian nuclear technology to India;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether India has also promised to put all nuclear power projects with international cooperation under IAEA safeguards; and

(e) if so, the details in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMED)

(a) The Indian nuclear projects under IAEA safeguards are:

(i) Tarapur Atomic Power Station (TAPS 1 & 2), Maharashtra along with Enriched Fuel Fabrication Plant at Nuclear Fuel Complex, Hyderabad, which fabricates fuel for TAPS 1&2 using imported raw material.

(ii) Rajasthan Atomic Power Station (RAPS) 1 & 2, Kota, Rajasthan.

(iii) Away From Reactor (AFR) Facility for storing safeguarded fuel at TAPS and RAPS

(iv) Kudankulam Atomic Power Project, Tamil Nadu

(b) &(c) During the visit of External Affairs Minister to Washington D.C. on 13-14 April 2005, the India-US Energy Dialogue has been announced which would be led by the Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission Dr. Montek Singh Ahluwalia, and the US Energy Secretary Samuel Bodman. The main components of this dialogue would include civil nuclear energy, hydrocarbons and cleaner technologies.

(d)&(e) In a speech on 28/3/05 External Affairs Minister stated `we have repeatedly said that every cooperation project in nuclear power would be open to international safeguards`.